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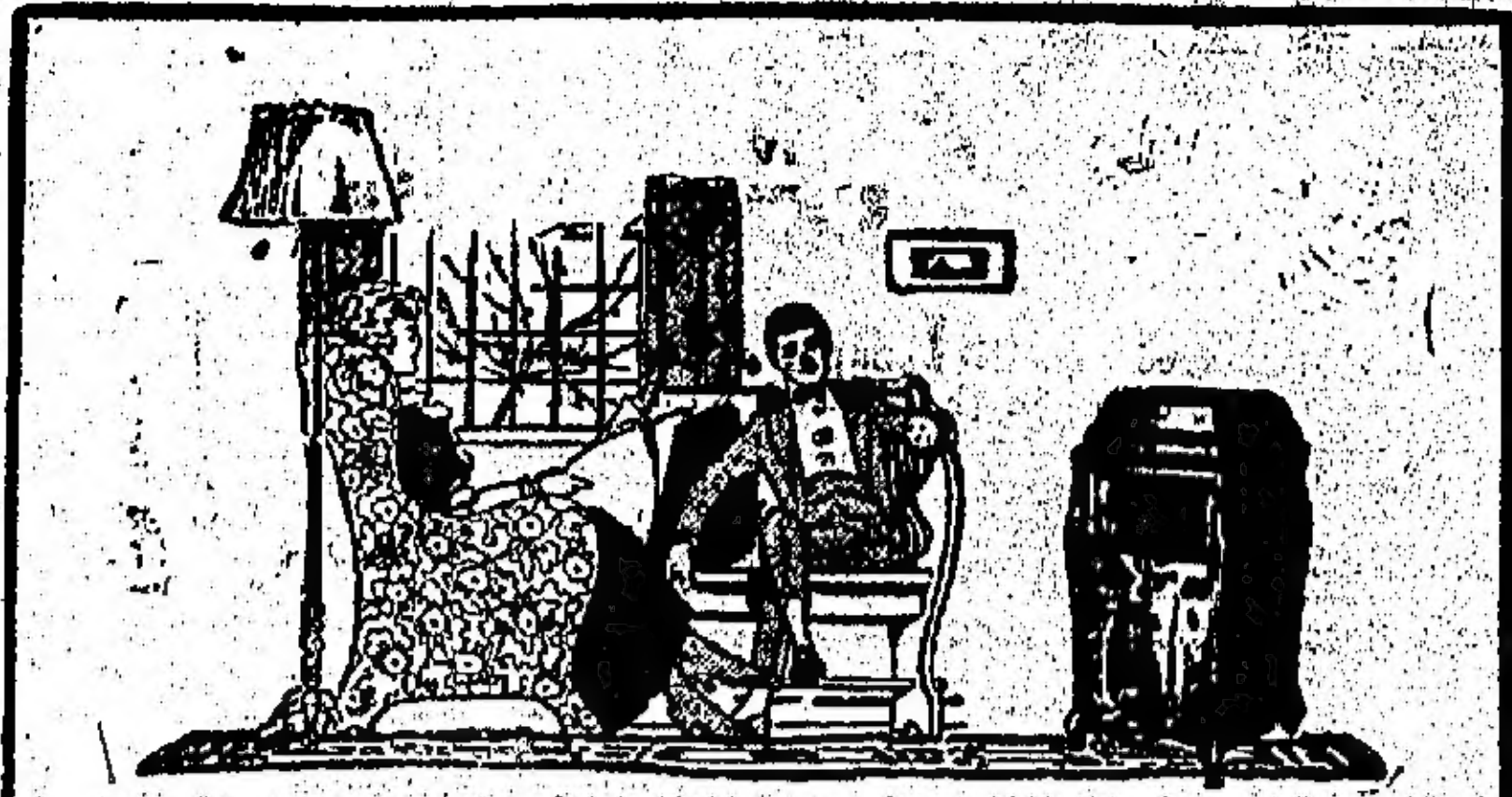
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COMPANY MEETINGS.

CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

The thirteenth yearly meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, yesterday, the Chairman, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, presiding. There were also present:—The Hon. Mr. Paul Chazan, C.M.G., and Mr. A. E. Griffin (Consulting Committee), Mr. W. G. Darby (General Manager), Messrs. A. Denison, K. O. Lang, O. Baptista, H. Kennell, K. Sayce, and R. Bridger.

The notice convening the meeting having been read.

The CHAIRMAN said—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days and, with your permission, we will take them, together with the auditor's certificate, as read. I regret that the figures which we have to lay before you are not of a more satisfactory nature. As I explained to you on this occasion last year, the war is very seriously affecting the whole of our business, and should shareholders feel inclined to be dissatisfied with the results, I must ask them to bear in mind the exceptional conditions under which we have been and are working. The home-made rates of freight on timber have now advanced to such a figure that our business with the United Kingdom has been brought to a standstill. Local business in Borneo still continues to be very dull, and though we have so far been able to continue our shipments to the Chinese market, the demand here has been none too good and prices not always remunerative. If you will turn to the balance sheet for a moment you will notice that the net profit is falling off, but I cannot say that it is less than any of us, who are responsible for the working of the Company, expected. I need scarcely say that expenditure under all headings has been kept as low as possible, and you will notice that our office expenses have been reduced by some \$15,000. We show for the first time in our balance-sheet an exchange fluctuation account with a balance of \$18,012.71. This balance, which has been created by the adjustment of various exchange accounts between Hongkong, Borneo, and London, we propose to keep in hand to provide for similar adjustments in the future, but which may be of an adverse nature. Our stock of timber and materials at hand at 31st December were approximately of the same value as at the end of the previous year. They are considerably heavier than they would be in normal times, but they have been valued on a very careful and conservative basis. Our sundry debtors, on the other hand, show the substantial reduction of some \$24,000. In view of the conservative manner in which we dealt with our profit last year, we feel able to recommend the distribution by way of dividend of all the profit earned in 1915, after making the usual provision for depreciation. We are sorry not to be able to make any provision for our insurance fund, but we are of opinion that it can be properly postponed until the return of normal times. As regards our prospects for this year, shareholders must not be sanguine. Indeed, at the present moment the outlook is far from satisfactory, the local trouble in China having dislocated, for the time being, the only market which is open to us. In November last year I took the opportunity of making a trip to Borneo and examined at first hand the local business of the Company. I visited the jungle and saw our labour force there felling and drawing timber out. I confess it seemed to me rather strenuous work. The saw-mills and allway at Sandakan were also gone over, and I was very pleased with everything I saw. It seemed to me that the Company has a valuable property, and more normal times the prospects for the future of the Company are good. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions the shareholders may put.

There were no questions, and the CHAIRMAN proposed that the report and accounts be adopted.

Mr. DENISON seconded, and the motion was unanimously agreed to.

The re-election of the Chairman on the Consulting Committee was proposed by Sayce, seconded by Mr. BAPTISTA, and carried.

Mr. C. Bernard Brown was re-appointed auditor, on the motion of Mr. LANG, seconded by Mr. KENNEL.

The CHAIRMAN announced that dividend warrants would be ready to-day, and might be had on application at the Company's office.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

In pursuance of Section 188 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 a final winding-up meeting of the above Company was held at the office of the liquidators, St. George's Buildings, yesterday.

Mr. R. Sheehan presided, and those also present were:—Messrs. R. Hancock, J. A. Young, H. F. Campbell, and the Secretary.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, This meeting has been called in accordance with the provisions of section 188 of the Companies Ordinance 1911, for the purpose of laying before you the liquidators' accounts. These are open for your inspection, and I think, do not require any explanation. The amount available for distribution is \$13,000, which is just sufficient to pay a final dividend of 50 cents per share. I now beg to propose that the accounts as presented be approved and that a final dividend of 50 cents per share be paid forthwith.

Mr. R. HANCOCK seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the books and records of the Company be retained by the liquidators for six months, after which time they may be destroyed.

Mr. H. F. CAMPBELL seconded, and this motion was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN said—That is all the business, gentlemen, and I thank you for your attendance. Dividend may be had as soon as the share certificates are surrendered.

SUN YAT-SEN AND THE CHINIS.

The Intelligence Department of the Republican Government of China has forwarded the following translation of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Declaration to the Press for publication:

Fellow-countrymen,—During the three years which have elapsed since the failure in 1911 of the Provisional Expedition against the national traitor (Yuan Shih-kai), I regret that I have not had the pleasure of meeting you and of listening to your counsels. While the traitor was usurping the powers of government, and confusing the minds of the people, I did not wish to appear before you with merely empty words. At present, however, there are signs of a favourable turn in political events. Incapable as I am, I was once your public servant, and, even when I have been in adverse circumstances, I have not forgotten the fatherland. I therefore venture to address you in a few words.

For more than two decades I have cherished the three great principles of racial revolution, political revolution, and social revolution. I have unflinchingly advocated and worked among you for the purpose of carrying out these objects. When, in 1911, the standard of revolt was first raised in Wuchang, the movement found a ready response throughout the land. The idea of establishing a republic of the five races has since taken a firm root in the minds of our people. When I became a public servant *pro tempore*, I was so much occupied with military operations and numberless other matters, that I was still in an experimental stage that, to my great disappointment, I found I could not accomplish all I intended. However, with the inauguration of a new régime, and with the promulgation of a republican constitution framed according to the real wish of the people, the foundations of a stable government may be said to have been laid.

RECOMMENDATION OF YUAN.

For this reason, on the abdication of the Manchu Emperor and the union of the North and South, I resigned the presidency, and recommended Yuan Shih-kai to the National Assembly as my successor. Yuan professed his attachment to the republican cause in compliance with the desire of the Republican Army and the will of the great majority of the people. This led me to believe that he would adhere to the constitution, abide by his oath of office, and be loyal to the Republic. Before mutual confidence was restored between North and South I even took upon myself the part of mediator, and with this object I repaired to Peking and openly declared my desire to see Yuan in office for ten years. Who would have supposed that even then he harboured treasonable designs? He caused good and peaceful citizens to be put to death. He trampled upon the laws of the country. He corrupted the public morals. He reduced the people to a state of misery. In order to uphold the law of the land and the principles of justice, I deemed it necessary to resort to armed resistance. Neither success nor failure weakened my resolve to do what was just, and I have been ever since in his hands. Yuan had recourse to all sorts of vile intrigues. As his treacherous plans had not then been exposed, and the people were not then fully alive to the true state of affairs, the inevitable result was that the five southern provinces were defeated, and Yuan left free to carry out his evil schemes.

Though I have been living abroad, yet my love for my country is as fervent as ever. I am of the opinion that Yuan's continuance in office means the ultimate ruin of the nation. We determined to overthrow him. But if we had given up our cause because of one defeat, we should have been not only untrue to ourselves, but also disloyal to the country. Hence we have, in conjunction with our sympathizers, continued our efforts with relaxation. Unfortunately, many of our last campaign, and five out of ten believed that the wisest thing to do was to await future developments. In the interior of China there were some who, still retaining confidence in Yuan, wished to be patient with him; there were also some who, overawed by his power, thought it best for the time being to accommodate themselves to his caprices, hoping in the meantime to be able to devise means of saving the situation; there were yet others who, being content with an evanescent peace, did not wish to come into open conflict with him. There were no doubt good reasons for all that was done, but it gave Yuan opportunity to gratify his selfish ambitions by taking advantage of these weak policies. This was why I hesitated even in the beginning to give them unqualified approval.

ANOTHER SOCIETY.

At this juncture, Yuan dissolved the National Assembly, openly set our sacred constitution at defiance, and destroyed every vestige of representative government. I said then that Yuan was planning to overthrow the Republic and to make himself Emperor. My words found no credence. But from that time unprincipled men and State hirelings gradually made their appearance in politics. The state of affairs became so discouraging and heartrending that I made up my mind to fight single-handed. I organized the *Chung Hua Ke Min Tang* (Chinese Revolutionary Society) on the strictest principles, with the object of removing all social and political evils and of restoring the supremacy of the law. In the course of the last two years I have secured many adherents, including some in the interior of China. All are working unwaveringly in the public interests without wavering in the sacrifice of life, liberty, or property. We depend not so much on the support of others as on the righteousness of our cause. Indeed, the circumstances which led to the formation of the *Chung Hua Ke Min Tang* were not unlike those which brought the *Chung Kuo Tung Ming Hui* (Chinese Revolutionary Union) into being prior to the Revolution of 1911.

THE DECLARATION OF EMPIRE.

Yuan evidently considered the present European war to be the most favourable time for putting his treasonable plots into execution. The Society for the Preservation of Peace (a semi-official

organization) the people's will was deliberately misrepresented. Pressure was brought to bear on the electors to recommend Yuan as Emperor. The whole country was thrown into a state of turmoil—simply and solely because of the wish of one man to be Emperor. Patriots hurriedly came together and discussed the situation; our co-workers determined to act promptly with dauntless courage and redoubled energy. The independence of Yunnan and Kweichow has greatly relieved my anxiety, for it is most gratifying to find that we are not the only men who are zealously striving for liberty. I am more than ever convinced that I am right in what I have always advocated. On mature reflection, I am of the opinion that Yuan's crimes began long before the restoration of the monarchy, and that simply to overthrow him is not sufficient to secure the Republic. The traitor must be brought to justice. In this we are all agreed. But in order that our sacrifices may not be made in vain, and that the future of the Republic may be properly safeguarded, it was necessary to learn the real motives of the organizers of the present anti-Yuan movement, the principles to which they declared their adherence, as well as the reconstructive policy they proposed to adopt. Now, in the circular telegram from the independent provinces to the Republican Constitution is referred to as the all-important thing, and it is implicitly accepted as the criterion in all the political discussions of those who have the interests of the country at heart.

THE RIGHTFUL ARMY.

When I heard this, my joy knew no bounds. The respect shown to the Republican Constitution is beyond doubt the outcome of a sincere desire on the part of the Righteous Army to preserve the Republic. As Yuan's attempt against the constitution, so the preservation of the Republic must necessarily begin with the maintenance of the constitution. That Yuan is in the wrong and we in the right is obvious to everybody.

The Republican Constitution, which represents the real wish of the people, was obtained at a sacrifice of many promising lives. I am not a personal enemy of Yuan. Yet, as he has violated the constitution, I am willing to join you in overthrowing him. Nor am I a personal friend of the leaders of the anti-Yuan campaign in the independent provinces. Yet, as they declared their respect for the constitution, I am willing to make common cause with them. In view of the fact that our citizens are of one mind in that they hold the constitution as very dear to their hearts, and are determined to protect it, from being tampered with by the national traitor, we must be firm in our attitude towards Yuan in accordance with the saying, "To remove an evil, eradicate it entirely." If, notwithstanding all his intrigues, Yuan and his monarchy have to go, we may be sure that no one will hereafter dare to tread in his footsteps.

COPIES OF DISSENTION.

Why does Yuan still linger in an untenable position, and refuse to surrender himself to be tried according to law? Partly because of his inborn obstinacy and desire for power and glory, and partly because he flatters himself that factional differences among the Republicans will lead to internal dissensions and the splitting up of the forces of the opposition. But we are not blind to the truth of the matter. If brothers—fight with brothers they will be at the mercy of an intruder. Political disputes we have had; these are, however, things of the past. With a common object and a common principle, we will work in harmony, for we are solely prompted by patriotic motives. In vain will our foe look for discord in our rank and file. Now is the time for united efforts to save the country; and we cannot vie with one another for political power. So far as Yuan Shih-kai is concerned, he must be removed, if necessary by force. Other questions will have to be settled according to the Republican Constitution. In future all ambitious and unscrupulous men must be prevented from taking advantage of the principles of republicanism for selfish ends.

I have been engaged in destructive work all the time, but I thought it my duty at the same time to prepare a reconstructive scheme. Circumstances, however, have changed. There are now many men of ability who can heal the wounds of the nation. We should, therefore, recognize as president whoever is elected, not by fraud or force, but according to the constitution. We should also always bear in mind that the chief of a republic has duties to perform, and not vain glory to indulge in.

NO DESIRE FOR SELF.

My life principle is to do all I can for real and everlasting peace. To attain my object, I have not hesitated to stand in the breach and bear the brunt of the work. Since my boyish days I have taken a sympathetic interest in the welfare of the country. I have been always true to my three principles—racial regeneration, political regeneration, and social regeneration. Those whom I have been associated with are men of noble character and high ideals. With the establishment of the republic of the five races my object may be said to have been realized. Yuan overturned the Republic, and, for the sake of the glory of his own family, did not scruple to enslave the people. This is why we consider him as the common enemy, who at any cost, must be vanquished. Now that everyone knows who is right and who is wrong, we must march forward without hesitation, and not allow the foe to escape. Not until the betrayer of the nation has been removed will the safety of the Republic be assured. As to our future policy, those who are actively engaged to State affairs will, we venture to hope, act strictly in accordance with the real wish of the people.

IT IS NECESSARY TO SAY THAT ambition for self-aggrandizement is entirely alien to me. My attitude and conduct in the past, which is well-known to everybody, will bear me out. Not failure—not even death—can in the least shake my faith in my principles. Fellow-countrymen! Before Yuan's downfall I will join with you in your fight; after Yuan's downfall I will work hand-in-hand with you in the common duty of supervising the government. Never will we allow any person in the future to plot against the Republic.

Fellow-countrymen—

Young and—

Listen!

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY PROJECT.

CONTRACTS FOR THE HUPEH-HUNAN SECTION.

The contract for the supply of bridge girders for the Canton-Hankow Railway (Hupeh-Hunan section), a part of the Hukwang Loan Railway, has been awarded to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, and the Yangtze Engineering Works, Ltd.

The Yangtze Engineering Works, Ltd., a Chinese concern, has been awarded the contract for the supply of 209.7 tons of the girders, short spans, at a total bid of \$23,890, delivery to be completed in five months.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., tendering on behalf of the United States Steel Products Company, were awarded a contract for the supply of 18 spans of 160 ft. and 8 spans of 200 ft. at an aggregate tender of \$475,304, delivery to be made not later than September 30th, 1916.

The time of delivery was a very important factor in awarding the contract, as it was the desire of the railway to complete the line from Hankow to Changsha during the current year; therefore it was imperative that delivery be procured at the earliest possible date.

KING OF ANNAM DEPOSED.

PENALTY OF CONSPIRACY.

An official communiqué issued by the Government of Indo-China announces the deposition of the King of Annam, Duy Tan, who, when eight years old, succeeded his father, King Than Thai, in 1907. Duy Tan has been found guilty of complicity with certain rebels who had taken refuge in foreign countries in planning the recent disorders in the provinces of Quangnai and Quangnam, which were speedily suppressed by the authorities. His successor is Duy Dao, a son of dead King Dong Khanh.

Duy Tan had been removed and imprisoned at Hue.

The situation is quiet and peaceful.

SHIPPING NOTES.

THE MISSING "SEIKO MARU."

As already reported, nothing has been heard or seen of the *Seiko Maru*, owned by Mr. Kokuma Koichiro, Otaru, and chartered by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, since she left Tacoma towards the end of March, and much anxiety is felt regarding her fate.

Of her 5,200 tons of cargo, 1,500 tons were herrings and 1,600 tons shipbuilding materials, the remainder including raw cotton, machinery, chlorate of potash, lead, and dyestuffs.

As a substitute for the *Seiko Maru*, the *Kanishiro Maru*, 8,300 tons capacity, from the Bombay service to the American run, is said that the *Korea Maru*, on the Bombay service, will also be removed to the American run, while the *Shibetsu Maru* will be transferred from the Formosan to the Bombay service.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

CORPS ORDERS BY LT.-COL. A. CHAPMAN, V.D.

PARADES.

1.—Parades for to-day.

5 p.m.—Stratcher Bearer Section at Government Civil Hospital for examination.

5.10 p.m.—Centre Section M.G. Co. (Kowloon residents) M.G. Drill at Kowloon Docks.

5.15 p.m.—Centre Section M.G. Co. (Hongkong residents) M.G. Drill at Headquarters. Right Section M.G. Co. at Headquarters. Left Section M.G. Co. on Kennedy Road range. Recruits of all units Squad Drill at Headquarters under Sgt.-Major Higby.

5.30 p.m.—Signalling Section "A" "B" and "C" Classes at Headquarters. Mounted Section on Polo Ground under Staff Sgt. Talbot. Scouts Company Drill on Cricket Ground.

DETAILS.

5.—On duty till 25th inst.—H.K.V.P. Next for duty 26th inst.—Scouts Co. Orderly Officer 26th inst. to 1st June—Lieut. Murphy.

A. F. CHURCHILL, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.O.

HONGKONG RESERVES.

PARADES.

All parades called for Wednesday, 24th inst., are cancelled.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE.

In future all applications for leave exceeding a month in duration must state:

(a.)—What the purpose of the leave asked for is;

(b.)—Whether the consent of the applicant's employer has been obtained.

G. K. H. BURTON, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.R.

We have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son a booklet issued by the Bergenka S.S. Co., which should be of very considerable value to those travelling home by the trans-Siberian route. It gives much useful information regarding the journey and the train and steamer services, together with the connections between Bergen and Newcastle. There are also a number of suggestions and recommendations for the benefit of those who intend to break their journey in Norway.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS beg to intimate that owing to the Daylight Saving Act being in force in Great Britain applications for Telegraphic Transfers on London should be handed in not later than 11 A.M. Hongkong, 22nd May, 1916. [725]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
(In Liquidation).

A THIRD and FINAL DIVIDEND of FIFTY CENTS per Share has been declared in the above matter, and payment thereof may be obtained at the Offices of the Liquidators, St. George's Building, Chater Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, on surrender of the relative certificates. Dated 22nd May, 1916. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Liquidators. [726]

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "ALBANA."

From PENANG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th May will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 5th June, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th May, at 10.30 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents. Hongkong, 22nd May, 1916. [727]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 20th May, 1916. [710]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having acquired the interest in the "Ven Ringen" Patent Firebridge Bar, it will henceforth be known as the "ECLIPSE" PATENT FIREBRIDGE BAR.

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BIRTH.

MILNER-JONES.—On Sunday, May 21st, to Captain and Mrs. MILNER-JONES, a daughter. [724]

MARRIAGE.

ENSOR-REES.—At St. Augustine's Church, Brighton, on April 14th, Ernest Nash ENSOR, son of the late Charles Nash, J.P., Annaghmore, Ireland, Lieut. 9th Royal Irish Fusiliers, (formerly of the Chinese Maritime Customs), to MARGARET, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hopkin Rees, Shanghai.

DEATHS.

BROWN.—At sea, on April 22nd, GEORGE BROWN, late Chief Engineer S.S. Haiyuu, China Merchants' S. N. Co., aged 55 years.

RICHARDS.—At sea, on April 22nd, LEWIS HODGE RICHARDS, late Master S.S. Haiyuu, China Merchants' S. N. Co., aged 59 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, 23rd May, 1916.

THE CELEBRATION OF EMPIRE DAY.

It is a matter for regret that the Government of this Colony has shown no disposition to give adequate recognition to Empire Day. The Union Jack will doubtless be flown from public buildings, though we have not seen any announcement on the subject, and it is to be hoped that the commercial houses, private residents, and the ships in harbour will follow this example so that Hongkong may appear in gala attire. The day, however, is one that should be set apart especially for the rising generation, to whom in the ordinary course of Nature we shall have to hand down the proud heritage which we have received, and a concerted effort ought to be made to teach them something of the privileges they enjoy as British subjects, something of the true significance of the flag to which they owe allegiance, and something of the real meaning of "patriotism" and "love of country." Since the movement was started by the Earl of MEATH it has grown rapidly in favour, and to-morrow thousands upon thousands of children will gather together in all parts of the World to pay their tribute of respect to the flag, to learn what it symbolises, and

to join lustily in singing "God save our King." The day will be a red-letter day in their lives. Why should it be allowed to pass with such little notice in this outpost of Empire? Apart from special services for school-children at the Anglican and Roman Catholic Cathedrals, the only celebration will be the entertainment organised by the Special Police Reserves for men of the Sister Services and especially for those in our midst who have already done their duty to King and Country at the front, though their presence in the Colony has only just been discovered! This is a more ambitious programme than has been attempted hitherto, but it is meagre enough. In times of peace there has been a tendency to sneer at such demonstrations, to refer to them contemptuously as "flag-wagging" and "beating the big drum," and to regard them as something akin to "maffeking." Happily, the war has brought a big change in our conceptions of our duties and responsibilities as citizens of the British Empire.

How many thousands of Chinese are there who look to Hongkong as a haven of refuge whenever troubles afflict their own country? They take it as a matter of course that they will receive protection and be allowed to pursue their daily avocations in this Colony without let or hindrance. Yet how few of them understand the source from which these privileges flow. How many of the Chinese who are subjects of King George appreciate the advantages which are theirs? That many have shown their loyalty to, and sympathy with, the Allied cause by generous donations to the war funds, we are aware, but these are the exceptions. The vast majority, it is to be feared, view the war in Europe with careless indifference, and if they think about it at all they probably come to the conclusion that their position will not be affected no matter which side emerges victorious. It is probable that they have not the faintest idea of the real issues at stake in the conflict. Who is responsible for this ignorance and what is being done to dispel it? In the schools are the young Chinese taught the date of the landing of WILLIAM the Conqueror in England and the matrimonial ventures of Henry the Eighth, or is an endeavour made to give them a clear understanding of our Colonial history and policy? When the flags are flying to-morrow will the Chinese in Hongkong be able to appreciate the true reason for the display? We doubt it. Why should they not be taught? It is in this direction that much good might be done, as experience has proved in other countries. We have splendidly equipped schools for the Chinese and a University the graduates from which may be expected in time to fill many important commercial and official positions in their own land. Is full advantage being taken of the opportunity of instilling into the minds of the scholars and students of these institutions the beneficial effects of British rule? We cannot expect loyalty if we do not take any steps to encourage its growth.

Finally, we would suggest that in a British Colony which is largely inhabited by people of other races permission for foreign flags to be displayed should be granted only on the condition that they are accompanied by the Union Jack. That is the principle adopted by many other countries in which the population is of a heterogeneous character, and it is well worthy of the consideration of the local Government. To judge by the flags flown on public festivals here no one would suspect that Hongkong was a British possession.

A mail for Europe via Siberia closes to-day at 3 p.m. The weekly return of the Medical Officer of Health does not contain a case of plague. This is a good sign. The P. and O. s.s. Nyanza, bringing passengers ex s.s. Khyber from London, Marseilles and Egypt, is expected to arrive at Hongkong on or about the 30th inst. The P. and O. chartered steamer Sangala, with the London Mail of 20th April ex s.s. Khyber, is expected to arrive at Hongkong about 5 p.m. on Friday next. The P. and O. Homeward intermediate steamer Nore, which left Hongkong on the 20th March, arrived at Marseilles on the 24th instant, and left that port for London on the 18th idem.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledges with thanks a donation to the funds of the Hospitals of £5 (£47.70) from the Manchester Royal Infirmary Nurses M.L.

The King has been pleased to grant to Mr. Francis Arthur Aglen, Inspector-General of Chinese Customs, permission to wear the Insignia of the First Class of the Order of the Sacred Treasure, conferred upon him by the Emperor of Japan.

Colonel Nathaniel Barnardiston of The Ryes, near Sudbury, Suffolk, an Indian Mutiny veteran, and father of Brigadier-General Barnardiston, in command of the British troops at the capture of Kiachow, left unsettled estate £11,180.

The Daylight Saving Act, which has just come into force in Great Britain, will make its effect felt locally, and the Exchange Banks have intimated that applications for telegraphic transfers on London should be handed in not later than 11 a.m.

Mr. N. L. Watson, local Manager of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, who has returned to the Colony after a brief holiday in the United States and England, says that the people at Home seemed to be very optimistic, and everything appeared to be going on satisfactorily.

Mr. H. F. Merrill, Commissioner of Customs, who has seen 42 years' service with the Chinese Government, has resigned. His resignation takes effect in August, and in the meantime he has left for America on special service. He served last year as Commissioner at Canton.

During the week ending May 20th fifteen cases of small-pox were reported (one British and the rest Chinese, one being imported) eight of which proved fatal. In the same period there were two fatal Chinese cases of enteric fever (one imported) and a non-fatal Chinese case of diphtheria.

An engagement is announced between Lieutenant Cyril Gordon Martin, V.C., D.S.O., Royal Engineers, youngest son of the Rev. John Martin, C.M.S., Poochow, China, and Mab, only daughter of the late Major Edward Hingston, Royal Engineers, and Mrs. Hingston, of Mansion Row, Chatham.

Revenue Officer D. J. McKenzie prosecuted a Chinese at the Magistracy yesterday for exporting 13 small tins of aniline dyes. He was arrested in the Kowloon Railway Station after having bought a ticket for Canton. Mr. Hazeland imposed a fine of \$100, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment.

Owing to the effect of the Presidential moratorium the Bank of Territorial Development of China, Ltd., on which there was a run for several days, has been compelled to suspend payment during the term required to complete the arrangements which are now being made to secure financial assistance—probably ten days, says the Y. C. Daily News.

An Aberdeen fisherman was charged at the Magistracy yesterday with stealing a number of silver-plated hat-hooks and several pounds of brass from the wrecked Chiyo Maru. It is alleged that while fishing in the neighbourhood the man ran his sampan up to the wreck and went on board, stealing the articles mentioned. A marine store dealer was charged with receiving them, and the case was remanded.

The Water Authority are by no means perturbed at the heavy rain storms which have visited the Colony during the past few days, for the reservoirs were sadly in need of replenishment. According to the daily returns of the Royal Observatory, for the 72 hours ended 10 a.m. yesterday the rainfall had exceeded five inches. The figures for the last three days were: Saturday, 3.29 inches; Sunday, 0.3 inches; Monday, 3.29 inches. The fall will relieve the anxiety felt in some quarters as a result of the serious depletion of the reservoir consequent upon a long period of dry weather.

The Indian chauffeur employed by Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak again appeared before the Magistracy yesterday on charge preferred by the Special Police Reserve of exceeding the speed limit while passing a "Dead slow" signal. Ser. E. F. Sull (Police Reserve Mount Troop) deposed that he heard defendants Mr. Jenkin that he thought they were travelling at about 18 miles an hour before they were stopped. Defendant called an English-speaking Chinaman who was one of the several passengers in the car, and he testified that the car was going very slow. He did not think police could have seen the car round the corner. Mr. Wood said he was satisfied that defendant was passing a signal at a speed which was over "dead slow." A fine of \$10 was imposed.

THE WAR.

FRENCH GAIN GROUND.

DESPERATE FIGHTING NEAR VERDUN.

ITALIAN LINE HOLDING FIRM.

RUSSIANS JOIN BRITISH IN MESOPOTAMIA.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

VERDUN BATTLE CONTINUES.

RENEWED ENEMY ATTACKS ON DEADMAN HILL.

Paris, May 21st.
5.15 p.m.

Fierce fighting continues at Verdun. A communiqué states:—The Germans, during the night, renewed their attacks on Deadman Hill. All attempts on the east side were completely defeated, but they succeeded in occupying one of our first line trenches on the western slopes. There is lively artillery fighting at Fort Vaux.

The Germans, through a coup de main, penetrated one of our trenches but were driven out, leaving behind dead and wounded.

A French bombarding air squadron attacked the military establishments of Thionville, Etain and Spincourt; also the bivouacs at Azannes and Damvillers.

The bombardment of the big German railway 'spit at Lumes caused the precipitate departure of trains. There was an extensive conflagration in the station buildings.

An air battle, in which four French machines and three Fokkers took part, resulted in the felling of the Fokkers, and another Fokker was forced down into its own lines and destroyed by French batteries.

DESPERATE ALL-DAY BATTLE.

SUCCESSFUL FRENCH ATTACKS.

Paris, May 22nd.
3.55 a.m.

The evening communiqué says:—On the left of the Meuse a desperate battle continued all day between Avocourt Wood and the Meuse.

A French attack in the vicinity of the Ennes-Haucourt Road resulted in the capture of two German trenches.

Our artillery destroyed a small work which the enemy captured on the 18th inst. south of Hill 287.

The Germans attacked immediately east of Hill 204, and momentarily penetrated the first-line trench, but they were completely ejected.

A violent attack by a German Brigade on the western slopes of Mort Homme was stopped by machine-guns and a counter-attack by bombers. Enemy columns following the assaulting waves were caught by the fire of our batteries and compelled to retreat.

On the right of the Meuse there was a fierce artillery duel in the Douaumont sector. A French attack captured the strongly-fortified Haudromont quarries, 80 prisoners, and four machine guns.

German aeroplanes twice bombed Dunkirk since yesterday. Twenty bombs were dropped on Saturday evening, killing four and wounding 15. Another squadron at noon to-day dropped 100 bombs on the suburbs of Dunkirk, killing two soldiers and a child, and wounding 20 persons. The Allies' aeroplanes pursued the raiders, and felled two as they were re-entering the German lines.

A group of 53 British, French, and Belgian aeroplanes, immediately after the first raid, dropped 250 bombs on German cantonnements at Wylwege and Ghiselles.

German aeroplanes dropped 15 bombs on Belfort. The damage done was insignificant.

BRITISH MASTERY OF AIR.

SMALL ENEMY ATTACKS DEFEATED.

London, May 22nd.

General Sir Douglas Haig, in a communiqué says:—Our aeroplanes yesterday had several successful encounters. Two enemy machines fell in flames in the enemy lines, and a third fell in our lines, while one of our aeroplanes fell in the enemy's lines. Much successful artillery work was also accomplished. A hostile machine early this morning landed undamaged in our lines, and the pilot and observer were captured.

The enemy last night made three small attacks south-west of Wiltje. All were repulsed.

The enemy artillery was very active throughout the day between Vimy and Loos. A very heavy fire was directed on our front trenches south of Souchez. Our artillery replied and silenced a hostile battery.

ITALIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ITALIANS HOLDING FIRM.

SITUATION VIEWED WITH PERFECT EQUANIMITY.

Rome, May 21st.

The Italian line is holding firm, and the Austrians are unable to claim further successes.

The Austrian heir-apparent has arrived at the Front and has taken over the command.

The *Tribuna* says that the Austrians brought twelve divisions from Serbia and Russia to participate in the offensive, replacing them with third-rate troops, while additional munitions are being sent from Germany.

It appears that the offensive is necessary for political reasons, to appease the restlessness of the Austrian people and to forestall the Italian offensive. The *Tribuna* assures its readers that the Italians command the position and view the situation with perfect equanimity.

FIERCE AUSTRIAN OFFENSIVE.

ENEMY'S ENORMOUS LOSSES.

Rome, May 22nd.

The continuance of the Austrian attacks is recorded in a communiqué, which says:—After an all-day bombardment of the Boni Zugna positions in the Lagarina Valley great masses of the enemy infantry attacked late in the evening, and were repulsed after a desperate fight with enormous losses.

There was a fierce artillery duel from Passubio to the Terragolo Valley, where the Italians continued the reinforcement of the support lines to which they had fallen back. The enemy in the afternoon and evening repeatedly fiercely attacked in great force the Italian positions between Asiago and Brenta. The Italians not merely withstood the assaults very stubbornly, but recaptured a number of forts after desperate hand-to-hand actions, taking a number of prisoners.

The enemy in the Sugano Valley attacked our advance posts, which repulsed the attacks and then retired gradually to the supporting lines.

THE NORTHBROOK SOCIETY.

London, May 22nd.

Lord Hardinge has accepted the presidency of the Northbrook Society for five years, in succession to Lord Ampthill.

THE NEAR EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIAN CAVALRY JOIN BRITISH.

DRAMATIC EPISODE IN THE MESOPOTAMIA CAMPAIGN.

London, May 21st.

It is officially announced from Mesopotamia that General Sir Percy Lake reports that the enemy evacuated Bethai Essa and their advanced positions on the right bank of the Tigris.

General Gorringe has carried the Dujailah Redoubt. The enemy is still holding the Samaiyat position on the left bank.

Russian cavalry joined with General Gorringe after a bold and adventurous ride.

AN ENEMY REPRISAL.

BOMBS DROPPED ON CAIRO.

Cairo, May 21st.

It is officially announced that, doubtless in retaliation of the successful attack on El Arish, two enemy aeroplanes dropped sixteen bombs, mostly on the Arab quarter. Two civilians were killed and thirteen were injured. Five soldiers were wounded.

RUSSIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES.

Petrograd, May 22nd.

A communiqué states:—An attempt by the Germans to take the offensive in the Illukst region and north of Lake Ilon was repulsed with heavy enemy losses. Hostilities have been confined to an artillery and rifle duel on the remainder of the front. The Russians in the Caucasus continue to advance in the direction of Mosul.

GENERAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DAYLIGHTSAVING IN BRITAIN.

THE TIME ADVANCED.

London, May 21st.

The clocks (including the great clock at Greenwich Observatory, which gives the time for the whole country) were advanced at two o'clock this morning—the time fixed by the representations of the railway companies, as the fewest trains are then running.

The change is almost unanimously welcomed, the only note of opposition coming from the Northamptonshire Farmers' meeting, which yesterday recommended that the new system be ignored in the working of the farms, but not to the extent of defying the railway time tables.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

"OBSERVER" ON THE ONLY REAL METHOD OF SETTLEMENT.

London, May 21st.

Mr. J. L. Garvin, in an editorial in the *Observer*, says that a resumption of the Buckingham Palace Conference (which broke down before the war on the narrow question of Tyrone) is the only real method of an Irish settlement. The basis of the Conference should be enlarged; and the Conference should include men like Sir Horace Plunkett, but everything depends on Mr. Redmond and Sir Edward Carson. The *Observer* suggests that the former should concede the exclusion of Ulster, and that the latter should agree to joint sessions of an Irish Parliament, which would meet alternately in Dublin and Belfast. Mr. Garvin believes that the resumption of the Buckingham Palace Conference will be the success of such a Conference might involve the reconstruction of the Ministry—which Mr. Redmond and Sir Edward Carson might conceivably join.

WAR RISK RATES LOWERED.

London, May 21st.

War risk rates to the East, via the Suez Canal, are reduced to about 80 per cent. Western rates also show a declining tendency.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

INDIA'S LOYALTY.

LORD HARDINGE'S WARM TRIBUTE.

London, May 21st.

Interviewed by the London correspondent of a *New York Times*, Lord Hardinge paid a warm tribute to the loyalty of India's princes and people, and also to the attitude of the educated and political classes in suspending controversies in order not to embarrass the Government, as well as in not opposing drastic legislation when necessary. The sense of increased responsibility of the Indian members of the Imperial Legislative Council is strikingly shown, he said, in their speeches. There has been a vast political development in India in recent years. Politicians whose ultimate aspiration was self-government have become more moderate and more sensible in their demands, as they came to realise the impossibility of India's standing alone. This improvement, said Lord Hardinge, was unquestionably due to the reforms of Lord Morley and Lord Minto. Lord Hardinge hoped that it might be possible to make further concessions, in the way of provincial autonomy, after the war.

INDENTURED INDIAN LABOUR.

London, May 21st.

Lord Sydenham has given notice of a motion asking for the despatches containing the reasons which led the Raj to recommend the abolition of indentured emigration of Indians.

MR. ASQUITH IN AUDIENCE WITH THE KING.

London, May 21st.

Mr. Asquith was given an audience by H.M. the King yesterday.

POLICE BOWLING CLUB.

The Police Bowling Club held their opening day on Saturday, when the members were at home to their confederates of the Civil Service, Taikoo, and Kowloon Bowling Clubs. A match was arranged between the Police and Kowloon and the Civil Service and Taikoo, which was won by the former in all four stumps by a margin of 45 points. Tea and refreshments were provided by the hosts, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. Spoons were presented to the winning teams by Mrs. Gerrard (wife of Inspector Gerrard).

The bowling scores were:—Captain Russell's team (Kowloon) beat W. H. Prowse's team (Taikoo), 20-19. G. K. Haxton's (Kowloon) beat Duncan's (Civil Service), 17-16. Inspector Gerrard's (Police) beat Fergusson's (Taikoo), 31-15. Sgt. Pitt's (Police) beat W. Wetherston's (Taikoo), 20-11.

AUSTRALIAN TRADE WITH THE FAR EAST.

The President of the Adelaide Chamber of Commerce, speaking at a meeting of that body, at which the Japanese Vice-Consul from Sydney (Mr. E. J. Amano) was present, referred to the difficulties which beset the paths of South Australian exporters who wished to deal with Japan. Exporters had always suffered under a heavy handicap as compared with other States of Eastern Australia in that they had been denied a direct service from Port Adelaide to Far Eastern ports, including Manila and Hongkong. The handicap had been serious, because shipowners had to pay coastal freight to Sydney and transshipment charges there, amounting to somewhere about 25 c. a ton. With that added to the risk of transshipment, it would be seen how difficult it was for South Australian shippers to increase their trade with Far Eastern ports.

The Japanese Vice-Consul, referring to the matter subsequently, said he realised that South Australia was severely handicapped, but he hoped that soon the disadvantage would be removed, and Port Adelaide made a port of call on the direct service to the East.

The announcement has been received with much satisfaction.

FAIR EASTERN MEN AND THE WAR.

Lieutenant Colonel Archibald Hay, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, who has been wounded, took part in the relief of Peking, 1900, getting the medal with clasp.

Captain Jack Farrow, South Wales Borderers, reported as killed in action on 9th inst., was the only son of the late Captain Farrow, of China, and of Mrs. Barr, of Amoy.

Mr. E. H. J. Ford, of Messrs. Racine, Alderman & Co., left Hankow on the 11th inst. for Australia where he intends to offer his services for the front, says the *Central China Post*.

The Military Cross has been bestowed on Lieut. William Lionel Phillips Griffith-Jones, 3rd Durham L.I., for conspicuous gallantry. He took part in a raid on the enemy's trenches, and was the first man to enter them. He shot the enemy and set a fine example of coolness. Mr. Griffith-Jones is an assistant on the estate of the Bukit Mertajam Rubber Company.

EMPIRE DAY.

LOCAL OBSERVANCES.

His lordship Bishop Pozzoni informs us that on Empire Day at 9.30 a.m., a commemorative service for the Catholic Schools of Hongkong and Kowloon will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Bishop Pozzoni will officiate, assisted by the Clergy and students of the Cathedral Seminary. The service will include a prayer for peace and a prayer for the King, and will conclude with the National Anthem. The Bishop will give an address on "Empire Day."

The schools participating will comprise the Army School of Hongkong and Kowloon, St. Joseph's English College, Italian Convent, French Convent, St. Francis' School (Wanchai), St. Mary's School (Kowloon), St. Lewis Industrial School (West Point), Yauwatti Chinese School, Shaikwan Chinese School, Wanchai Chinese School, and To-Ying School (Glencaly).

Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools, informs us that a short commemorative service will be held also at St. John's Cathedral on Empire Day, at 9 a.m., when a sermon will be preached by the Rev. Mr. Copley Moyle.

The service is intended primarily for the British children of the Colony, for whom the nave and both transepts will be reserved. The general public will be accommodated in the nave aisles.

A Government launch, available for Kowloon children, will leave the Old Ferry Wharf, Kowloon, at 8.30 a.m. sharp, and will leave Blake Pier on the return journey immediately after the service.

POLICE RESERVE ENTERTAINMENT.

The arrangements for the Police Reserve Entertainment on Wednesday evening are now complete and everything points to the gathering being a great success. The use of the Theatre Royal has been given free of charge, refreshments will be provided by Messrs. Watson & Co., and cigarettes have been presented by the British American Tobacco Company. The doors will be open at 8 o'clock and the proceedings will commence at 8.30. The programme is as follows:—The National Anthem will be sung by all present; 1. Selection by Band of the H.K. Police Reserve; 2. Humorous song, Trooper H. E. Belphe H.K.P.R.; 3. Soprano solo, selected, Miss Camille Castro; 4. Pathos song, with Babat and Tabla, 5. Surgeon Lloyd R.N., at the piano; 6. Tenor and Pads Duett, "Excelsior," Messrs. F. H. Avey and A. J. England; 7. Piano solo, Rhapsodie No. 12 (Liszt), Miss Esther Xavier; 8. Soprano solo, Mrs. Villiers Smyth, selected; 9. Illuminated Indian club-swinging solo, Trooper H. E. Belphe; 10. Selection by Orchestra of the H.K. Police Reserve.

The second part of the programme will consist of boxing and wrestling. The boxing contests will be between the following:—P. 325 S. Ismail ("Jackson"), H.K.P.R. v. Lee Cpl. Jones, "B" Co. 4th K.S.L.I. P. 351 Maher, H.K.P.R., amateur featherweight champion v. P. 321 A. H. Usuff ("Johnson"), H.K.P.R. Jiu-jitsu exhibition by two men from His Imperial Majesty's ship *Saga*. Fencing exhibition by two men from the *Saga*. Wrestling—P. 318 Chanam Din, H.K.P. v. Shal Alum, 74th Punjab. Sepoy 2774 Khair Deen, 18th Infantry v. Sepoy 2808 Delawar Khan, 18th Infantry.

THE SEIZURES ON THE "CHINA."

SIR E. GREY'S REPLY TO AMERICA.

Great Britain's answer to the American representations regarding the removal of 39 Austrians, Germans, and Turks from the steamer *China* near Shanghai has been published by the U.S.A. State Department. It justifies their detention on the ground that the enemy aliens were engaged in the clandestine collection of arms for transmission to India, and other criminal plotting.

If they had been permitted to land at Manila they would have continued their nefarious acts, and thus compromising the neutrality of the United States. Efforts have been discovered on neutral soil in many parts of the world in the nature of revolutionary plots and schemes for the destruction of seaborne commerce, etc.

The Note refers to the numerous pro-German conspiracies in the United States, and says that the application by the United States for safe conduct for German men returning from America after their presence had proved embarrassing was based on the recognition that others were liable to seizure besides those belonging to the armed forces of a belligerent.

A Chinaman who was charged with kidnapping was sentenced to five years' hard labour by the Chief Justice yesterday. In passing sentence his lordship said the offence was a serious one which might be allowed in China but certainly not in Hongkong.

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ROBBERS' RAID ON VILLAGE.

EXTRAORDINARY STORY AT THE SESSIONS.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, two Chinese, Wong Yau and Lo Sam, were charged with robbery with violence at Sun Wai Village, and kidnapping. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. J. A. Gregory, J. Daziel, F. Ackman, K. Hagg, A. Anau, L. S. Hynman, and D. McL. Neilsen.

Mr. G. N. Orme, for the Crown, explained that on the night of the 19th February a good-sized junk came from the direction of Macao, and sailed into Deep Bay, in which place they remained that evening. At about midnight two small boats were put off from the junk, containing a number of men, about a dozen of whom, probably, were armed with various weapons, and who carried torches, and proceeded up the narrow, ultimately reaching a village which was close to the mud flats. The inhabitants of this village, which was called Sun Wai, were mostly Chinese and were of more or less independent means. Some of the inhabitants were awakened by the noise of the robbers beating at their doors. The village was a gaunt collection of half a dozen blocks of houses, having two houses to each block, and two floors to each house. Among the men were the two prisoners. The first prisoner was armed, and he, with others, entered some of the houses and helped themselves to such valuables as they could find. They then took away with them five persons, four men and a youth. They returned to their junk, and sailed off in the direction of Macao with their five captives on board. They apparently skirted the coast and landed at a place some 80 or 100 miles distant from Macao. During the voyage the captives were kept in the hold, and were compelled to write down their names, addresses, and occupations, and those of their relatives in Hongkong as would be most suitable to approach with a view to getting them ransomed. They did this at the command of the first prisoner. When they were landed they were blindfolded and taken to a cave, where they were kept for some time. Then, rather mysteriously, all the party, except the youth, were taken down to the beach, where they were left until they found some people who were willing to take them to Macao. Thus four got back safely, leaving the fifth in the cave. In accordance with an arrangement made in Macao the youth was ransomed for \$3,000 by his parents. The Macao police got on their track, and ultimately the two prisoners were arrested.

Evidence was then called. The jury found the prisoners guilty on both charges. Mr. Justice Gompertz then said:—I regard this offence as an extremely serious one, and the jury have found you guilty unanimously. You come from outside and vex peaceable people in our territory, you bring firearms and commit robbery in the territory, and not content with that you take away five respectable people and hold them as ransom. I shall sentence you on each count, because each count is a separate crime. I shall sentence you on each count to ten years' hard labour, to run consecutively, that is, twenty years in all, and each of you will receive twenty strokes with the cat.

Both prisoners exclaimed that they would rather be shot.

CAUGHT RED-HANDED.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies, K.C.) and a jury a Chinese was charged with housebreaking and larceny from a dwelling-house in the Wanchai district on the 11th April.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson (Crown Solicitor), introducing the evidence, said that the house concerned was situated at No. 19, Wing Fung Street West, next door to which was the bakery of the French Store. He intended to call some of the workmen employed at this bakery, who would say that they saw the prisoner break into the house, and that he was found inside, with everything turned upside down. Evidently the prisoner had searched everywhere for articles of value. There were two other men with him, but they ran away and escaped. Prisoner was secured and taken to the Police Station, together with certain articles of clothing which he was taking away when the alarm was raised. When charged at the Police Station he practically admitted the offence, saying that the other two men asked him to join them in the enterprise.

The jury was asked:—Captain A. Arthur (foreman), E. M. Ozorio, W. G. Lawson, E. J. Ainslie, A. M. Vas, J. Arnold, and R. E. Hynman. The prisoner was found guilty, and the Chief Justice, in passing sentence of two-and-a-half years' hard labour, said that prisoner had seemed to have made a hobby of housebreaking.

THE MANCHURIAN SYNDICATE.

HEARING OF THE CASE POSTPONED.

In the Chancery Division before Mr. Justice Peterson, counsel advised that the action, the South Manchurian Syndicate, Ltd. v. Troup, should stand out of the list of sittings. Counsel said two defendants were serving in His Majesty's Forces, and an important witness was travelling about the country inspecting dockyards. It would not be possible to get the witnesses together this term.

Mr. Percy Wheeler, for plaintiffs, said the points in this action were materially the same as those before his lordship in the company against Bush, which was now near heard.

His lordship said it has something to do with Chinese concessions in Manchuria. Mr. Wheeler said and the constitution of the Chinese Government (laughter). His lordship decided to retain the action, and hear it next sitting.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1918.

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	\$ KAMO MARU Capt. Shimizu	16,000	THURSDAY, 25th June, at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE VIA KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA	\$ YOKOHAMA MARU Capt. Shiohara	12,300	WEDNESDAY, 7th June, at 4 P.M.
	\$ SADO MARU Capt. Asakawa	12,100	TUESDAY, 27th June, at 4 P.M.
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	\$ NIKKO MARU Capt. Takeda	6,000	FRIDAY, 14th July, at 4 P.M.
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BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, MALACCA AND COLOMBO	\$ TOSA MARU Capt. Sakamoto	10,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th May
KOBE & YOKOHAMA			
MOJI and KOBE			
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	\$ NIKKO MARU Capt. Takeda	6,000	MONDAY, 12th June, at 10 A.M.
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* PERSIA MARU	9,000—14 knots	TUE., 4th July 10.30 A.M.
* KWANTO MARU	8,000—12 knots	SATUR., 8th July Noon
* KIYO MARU	17,000—14 knots	TUE., 11th July Noon
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